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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: All THP Commissioned Personnel

FROM: Colonel Mike Walker 

DATE: November 21, 2006

SUBJECT: Request for Transfer - Polygraph Examiner Vacancies

The Highway Patrol is seeking 1 Sergeant (Nashville) and 2 Troopers (East and West Bureau) to be polygraph examiners. These positions will report to Cpt. George Dittfurth in the Special Investigations Division. Those individuals selected will be required to attend 8-10 weeks of polygraph examiner training out-of-state beginning January 3, 2007.

To qualify, each applicant must have graduated from an accredited college or university with a bachelor's degree, have 3 years of law enforcement experience, and have been in your current job classification for a minimum of 1 year. Additional requirements are listed on the attachment.

If you are interested in these positions, please inform Beth Denton at 615-251-5174 or [Beth.Denton@state.tn.us](mailto:Beth.Denton@state.tn.us) by close of business on **December 4, 2006**. For consideration, your request must be accompanied by a transfer request form and a copy of your college transcript. Interviews for these positions will be conducted December 5-8. You will be notified upon receipt of your request.

### **Polygraph Examiner Vacancies**

1 THP Sergeant (Nashville), 1 Trooper (East Bureau), 1 Trooper (West Bureau)

In order to qualify the applicant must meet the following requirements:

- Must have been in your current job classification for at least one (1) year
- Must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university (transcript required by December 4, 2006)
- Must be a citizen of the United States
- Must be of good moral character
- Must have not been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude
- Must have a minimum of 3 years law enforcement experience, 1 year of which must be with the Tennessee Department of Safety.
- Must have received a score of at least 3 or higher on most recent performance evaluation.
- Must pass a Level 2 criminal background check by TBI.

In addition to meeting the above qualifications, the applicant must also agree to the following conditions:

- Must successfully attend and graduate from a school of polygraph approved by the Tennessee Private Investigation and Polygraph Commission, as selected by the Colonel's office
- Must pass a licensing examination conducted by, or under the supervision of, the Tennessee Private Investigation and Polygraph Commission
- Must satisfactorily complete a polygraph internship of at least 6 months
- Must maintain a polygraph examiner license in the State of Tennessee
- Must complete twelve (12) hours of continuing education each year according to requirements established by the Tennessee Private Investigation and Polygraph Commission
- Must agree to remain with the Tennessee Highway Patrol for a period of three (3) complete years, effective on the date the transfer is approved
- If you voluntarily resign, are terminated, or fail to maintain a license to conduct polygraph examinations in the State of Tennessee prior to the three (3) complete years of service, you shall immediately reimburse the Tennessee Department of Safety all costs associated with polygraph examiner training and licensure, including but not limited to, tuition, lodging, per diem, and license application and renewal fees